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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Kirill Ostanin, *et al.*

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For: CELL SURFACE PROTEINS AND USE THEREOF  
AS INDICATORS OF ACTIVATION OF CELLULAR  
SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION PATHWAYS

Examiner: R. Li

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-4 and 6-42 of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a request for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee based on large entity status. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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